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TAGS: EFIS, EC

SUBJECT: FISHING BOAT INCIDENT

REFERENCE: QUITO 402, QUITO 426, QUITO 508

1. THE FOLLOWING IS THE VERBATIM JANUARY 14 AP STORY  
FROM SAN DIEGO.

2. A GUNBOAT OF ECUADOR CHASED ONE OF THE US TUNA FISHING  
BOATS AT SEA TODAY IN THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL INCIDENT RE-  
PORTED IN 1977, THE AMERICAN TUNABOAT ASSOCIATION SAID.

THE SKIPPER SAID BY RADIO THAT THE CINDY ANN WAS 100 MILES  
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OUTSIDE ECUADOR'S CLAIMED 200-MILE TERRITORIAL WATERS WHEN  
THE PATROL BOAT GIVE CHASE.

NO SHOTS WERE REPORTED, AND THE 18-MAN AMERICAN CREW  
ESCAPED.

"I DON'T THINK ANY OF THEIR PATROL BOATS CAN CATCH THE

NEWER BOATS LIKE THE CINDY ANN", WHICH TRAVEL AT 18 KNOTS, SAID ED SILVA, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOAT OWNER'S ASSOCIATION.

MICHAEL ZOLEZZI, ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGE, SAID HE HOPES THE US DEPARTMENT OF STATE WILL "FOLLOW THIS UP AND PROTEST TO THE ECUADORIAN EMBASSY".

A MAJORITY OF THE 130-BOAT US TUNA FLEET IS REPORTED OFF THE WEST COAST OF SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA HUNTING FOR SKIPJACK TUNA. FISHING IN THE CENTRAL PACIFIC CONSERVATION ZONE FOR THE LARGE YELLOWFIN TUNA IS BANNED TEMPORARILY BECAUSE OF THE PRESENCE OF PORPOISES.

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